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TITLE OF INVENTION: SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT IN WHICH VOLTAGE DOWN CONVERTER OUTPUT CAN BE OBSERVED AS DIGITAL VALUE AND VOLTAGE DOWN CONVERTER OUTPUT VOLTAGE IS ADJUSTABLE

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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